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AMENDMENT

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In the Claims:

Please amend claim 22 to read as follows:

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(Amended) The apparatus of claim 21 wherein:

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said grooves have bottom surfaces which face one another; and

ends of said annular portions and said bottom surfaces of said grooves define a

gap therebetween.

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Please amend claim 26 to read as follows?

26. (Amerided) A seal for use adjacent to a rotating race engagement surface and a stationary race engagement surface and comprising:

a first race adapted for engagement with one of said rotating race engagement surface and said stationary race engagement surface, said first race defining outer and inner annular port/ons;

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